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For:

NUCLEIC ACID FRAGMENTS, RECOMBINANT

VECTORS CONTAINING THE SAME AND METHOD

FOR PROMOTING EXPRESSION OF STRUCTURAL

GENES USING THE SAME

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

July 1, 2002 (Monday)

Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's Office Action dated December 31, 2001, the period for response being extended by petition hereinbelow until June 30, 2002, following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified 07/03/2002 NAHMED1 00000041 09600602 application. 03 FC:117 920.00 00

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 2, 7, 14, 22 and 29.

Please amend the claims as follows:

(Twice Amended) An isolated nucleic acid no more than 120 nucleotides in length and comprising the nucleotide sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1 that hybridizes to a polynucleotide having a sequence that is the complement of SEQ ID NO: 3 under conditions equivalent to 5x Denhardt's solution, 6 x SSC, 0.5% to 0.1% SDS, at 80%

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